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Serial No.: 08/447,291

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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS

FOR MICROENCAPSULATION OF

ANTIGENS FOR USE AS

VACCINES

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The present application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/447,291 under the continuation procedure of 37 C.F.R. § 1.60. Prior to the examination of the application on its merits, please consider and enter the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit herewith a Letter to the Draftsman with proposed drawing corrections under 37 C.F.R. § 1.123 and MPEP §§608.02 (q) and (r).

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Prior to the first sentence and after the Title, please insert the following sentence:

--This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/447,291 filed May 22, 1995, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/365,986, filed December 28, 1994, now abandoned, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/143,555 filed